

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to acknowledge the important role which this state's public schools play in the educational development of countless Missouri youngsters; and

Whereas, the School District of Washington in Washington, Missouri, is one of twenty school districts that will be honored during the Distinction in Performance Awards Dinner to be hosted by the Cooperating School Districts St. Louis Regional Professional Development Center on April 10, 2003, at the Holiday Inn St. Louis Westport; and

Whereas, sponsored by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Distinction in Performance Award was established to recognize school districts with high or improved performance based upon Annual Performance Report (APR) information; and

Whereas, the School District of Washington places a great deal of importance on learning and values the opportunities for its students as well as the continued learning and education of its teachers, administrators, and staff; and

Whereas, one of the most popular and successful programs offered by the School District of Washington is Teacher Camp, a summer program in which teachers participate in a variety of different training sessions each summer to learn hands-on skills such as computer or Internet training, and to discuss issues such as peer advising and curriculum development; and

Whereas, the School District of Washington is committed to maintaining only the highest standards for educating the students of the community it serves; and

Whereas, the School District of Washington continues a proud tradition of excellence by providing quality education under the outstanding leadership of administrators, faculty, and staff, all of whom are to be applauded for their hard work and tremendous dedication in reaching this impressive achievement:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and best wishes to Superintendent Dr. Gregory Wilson and to the students, administrators, teachers, and staff within the School District of Washington at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the School District of Washington in Washington, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Kevin Threlkeld
District No. 109

Representative Brian Nieves
District No. 98

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and

correct copy of House Resolution No. 1764, adopted April 10, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker